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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 1, 2003, Applicants <u>elect</u> **SEQ ID NO. 10** for prosecution on the merits, with traverse.

A four-month extension of time, e.g., from January 1, 2004 to May 1, 2004, is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of \$740.00 to Deposit Account 16-0085, Reference No. 18433/2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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